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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT : Mark K. Young et al.
SERIAL NO. : 10/741,809
TITLE : HERMETICALLY SEALED OPTICAL AMPLIFIER
MODULE TO BE INTEGRATED INTO A PRESSURE
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SIR:

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 1.136(a) AND
AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Applicants hereby petition the Assistant Commissioner to grant a three (3) month extension of time, up to and including Monday, January 9, 2006, in which to respond to the Office Action mailed July 7, 2005 in the above-identified application. The extension fee in the amount of \$510.00 may be charged to deposit account No. 50-1047. In addition, any deficiencies may be charged to deposit account No. 50-1047.

In response to the Office Action mailed July 7, 2005, the period for response thereto having been extended by a Petition therefore and payment of the extension fee, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

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